PUBLIC HEALTH

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[Despatch Abstract.]

R.W.S. - Appropriation of Accounts - 1945-46 -

Unprofitable outlay - Papers - Recorded.

Education and Public Health Department.

NOTE FOR THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

(Paragraph 4 on page 125 of the Appropriation Accounts, 1945-6 and Audit Report, 1947).

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(Subject-- Grant XVII - Public Health - Unprofitable outlay in connection with Rural Water-supply Scheme).

Accountant General's Remarks.

Unprofitable outlay--Rural Water-supply Scheme.

Several well works executed under the Scheme for the development of rural water-supply proved abortive due to one or other of the following causes:-

(i) Water tapped was brackish and unfit for drinking purposes.
(ii) Water could not be tapped even at great depths.
(iii) Springs tapped were very feeble.
(iv) Absence of springs.
(v) Hard rock was found in the course of execution and its blasting was not attempted as it was considered dangerous to do so.

Consequently sums aggregating Rs.43,154 representing expenditure incurred on such works had to be written off during the year as unprofitable outlay by the competent authority.

NOTE BY THE EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

The sum of Rs.43,154 written off as unprofitable outlay represents the amount written off both by the Collectors and the Board of Revenue. This works out to 2.29 per cent of the total expenditure of Rs.18,79,442 on rural water supply during 1945-46. The reasons for the abandonment of works in a number of cases are those contained in the Accountant General's remarks. The failure of the wells was due to unforeseen causes.

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The P.A.Committee have considered and accepted the explanation given in the case of improfitable outlay on well-works sunk during 1945-46. Vide the portions marked 'M' on p.15 and 'A'on p.11 of (U). No action is therefore necessary in this file. The papers may be recorded.

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